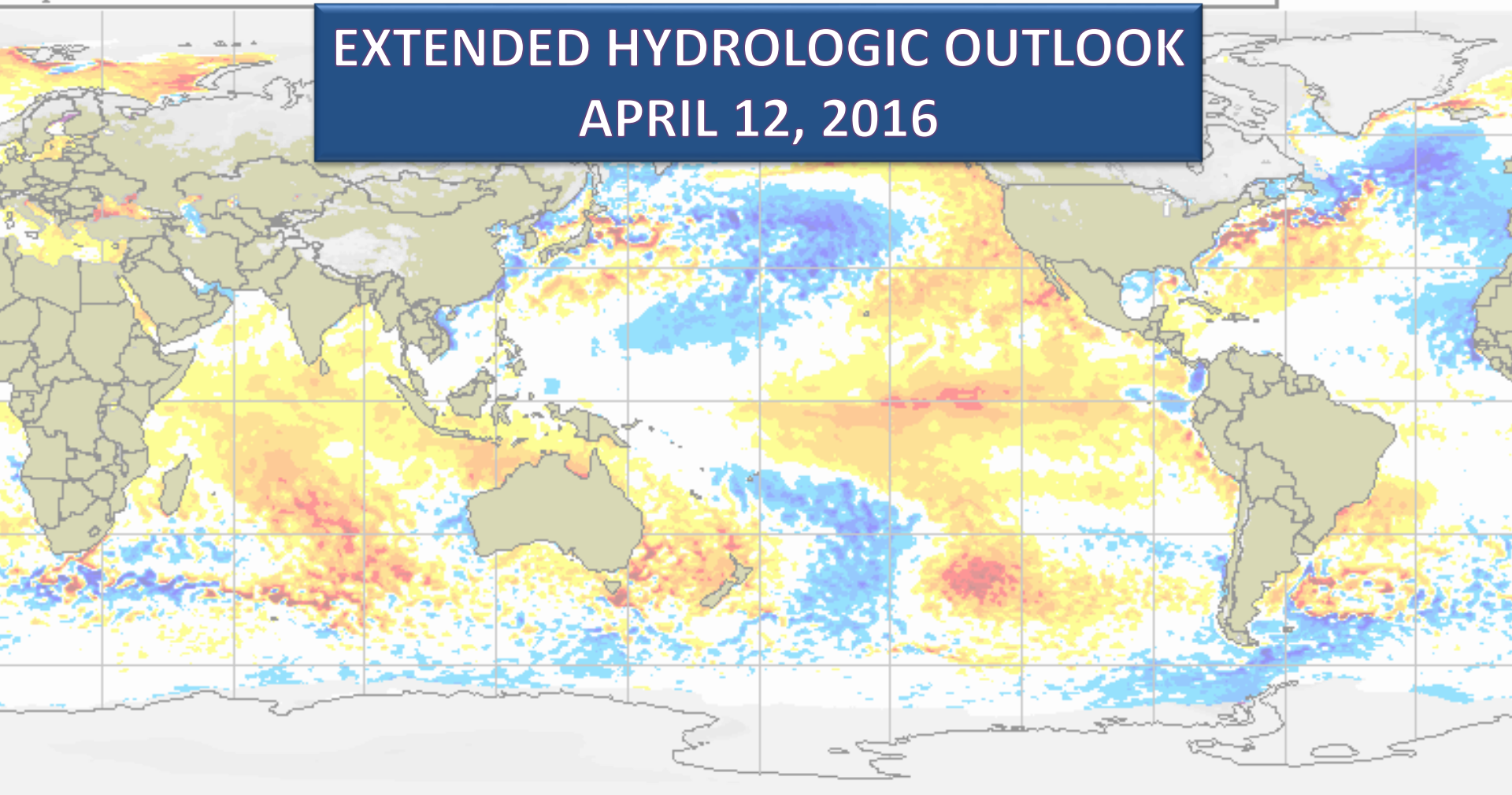


# EXTENDED HYDROLOGIC OUTLOOK APRIL 12, 2016



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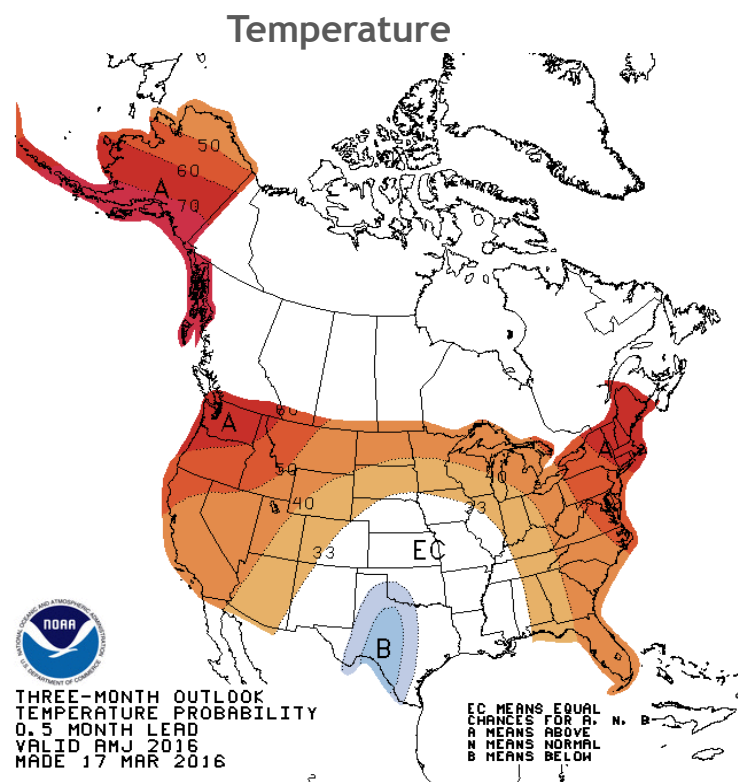
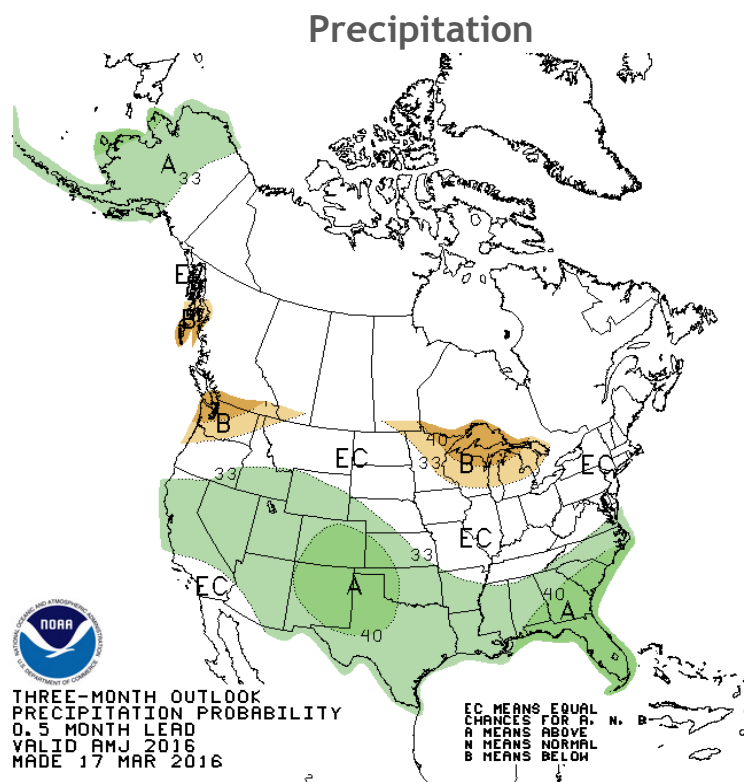
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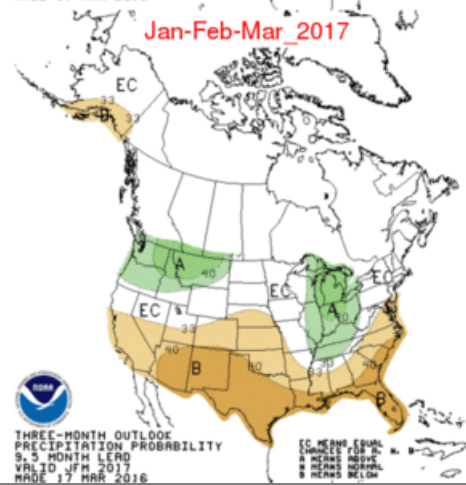
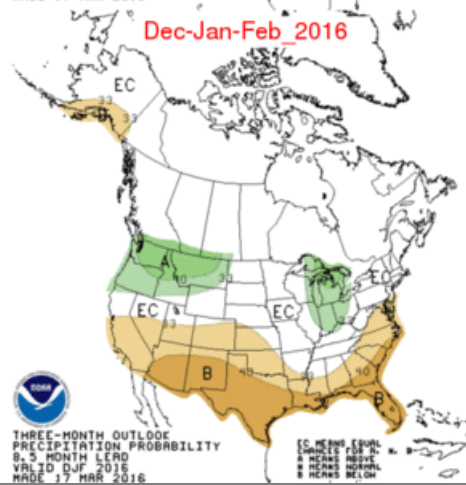
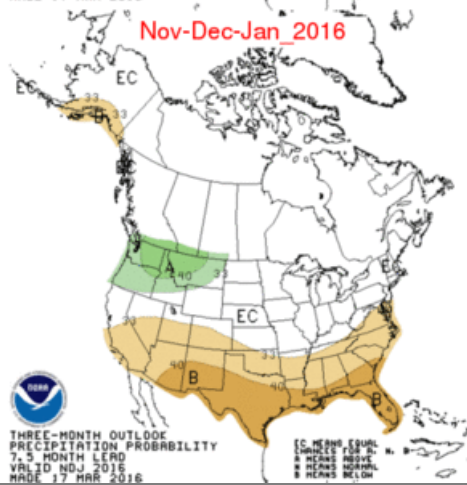
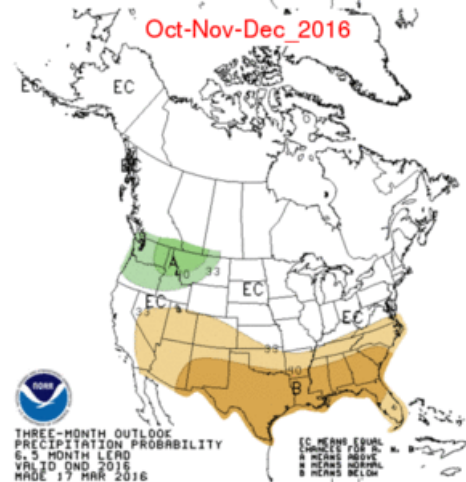
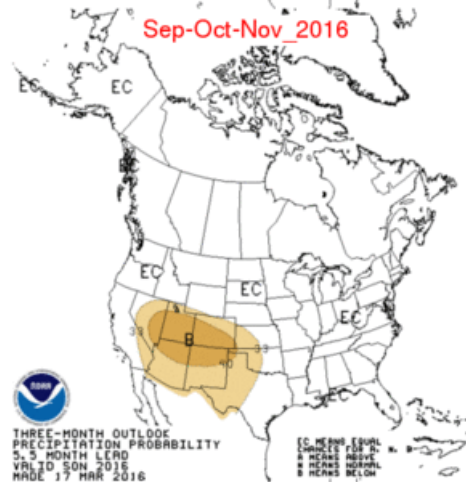
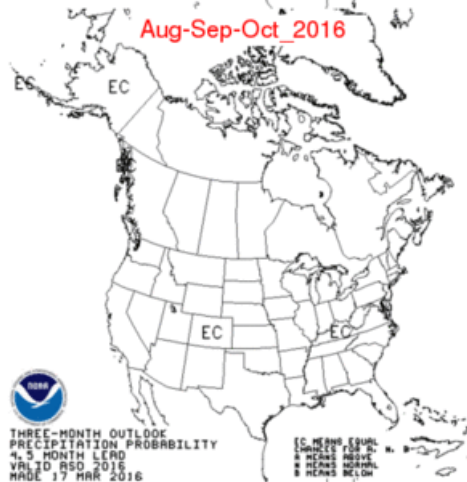
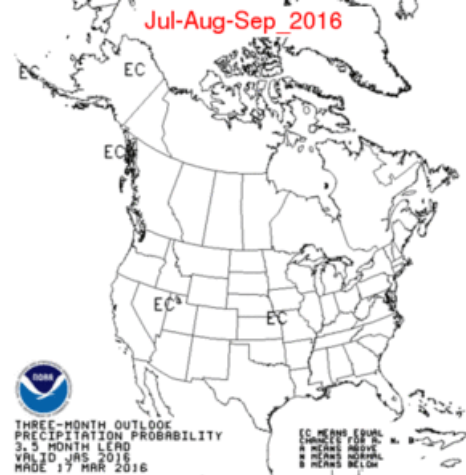
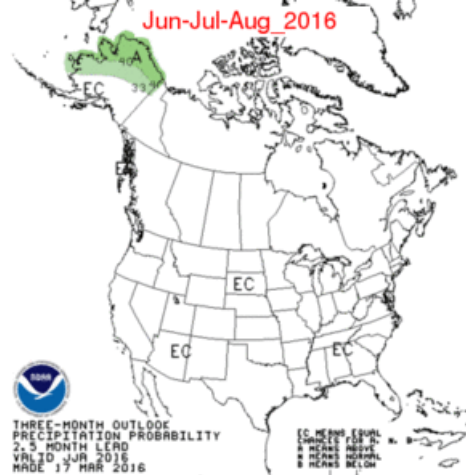
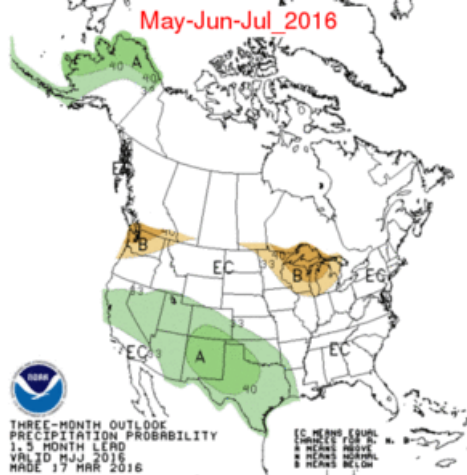
- The Climate Prediction Center (CPC) is forecasting above normal rainfall for April through June.
- El Niño conditions are present. A transition to ENSO-neutral is likely during late spring and there is potential for a weak La Niña by summer 2016.
- The strong positive phase of the Pacific Decadal Oscillation increases the potential for a greater number of El Niño events for multi-year periods.
- Watching Atlantic Multidecadal Oscillation (AMO) index for switch to negative (cold) phase, this has the potential to contribute to a drier-than-normal 2016 wet season.

# U. S. Seasonal Outlooks

April - June 2016

The seasonal outlooks combine the effects of long-term trends, soil moisture, and, when appropriate, ENSO.



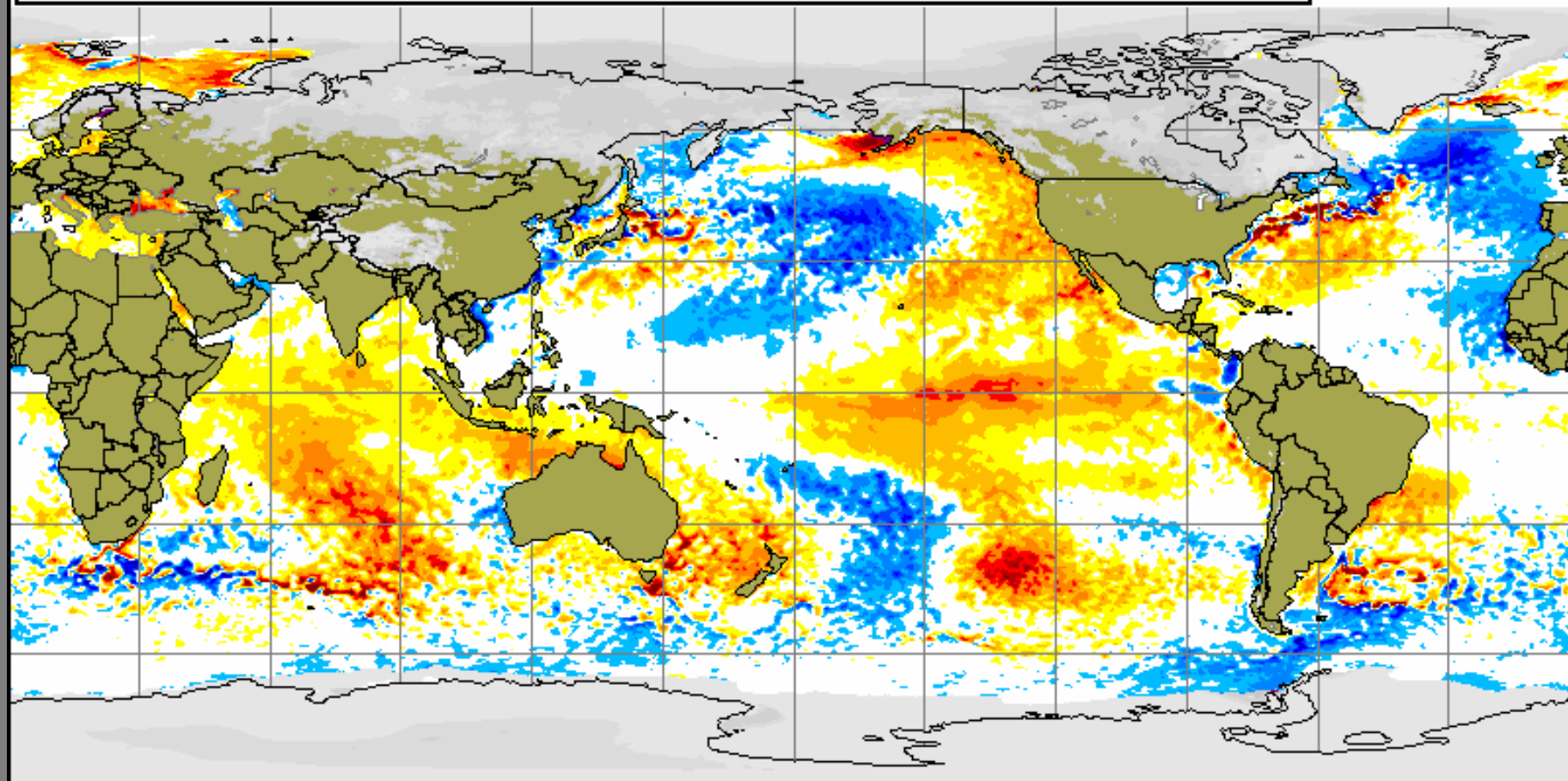




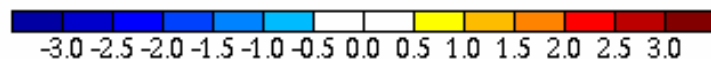
# Current Global Sea Surface Temperature Anomalies

Global sea surface anomaly and snow cover  
12 Apr 2016

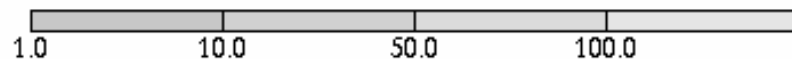
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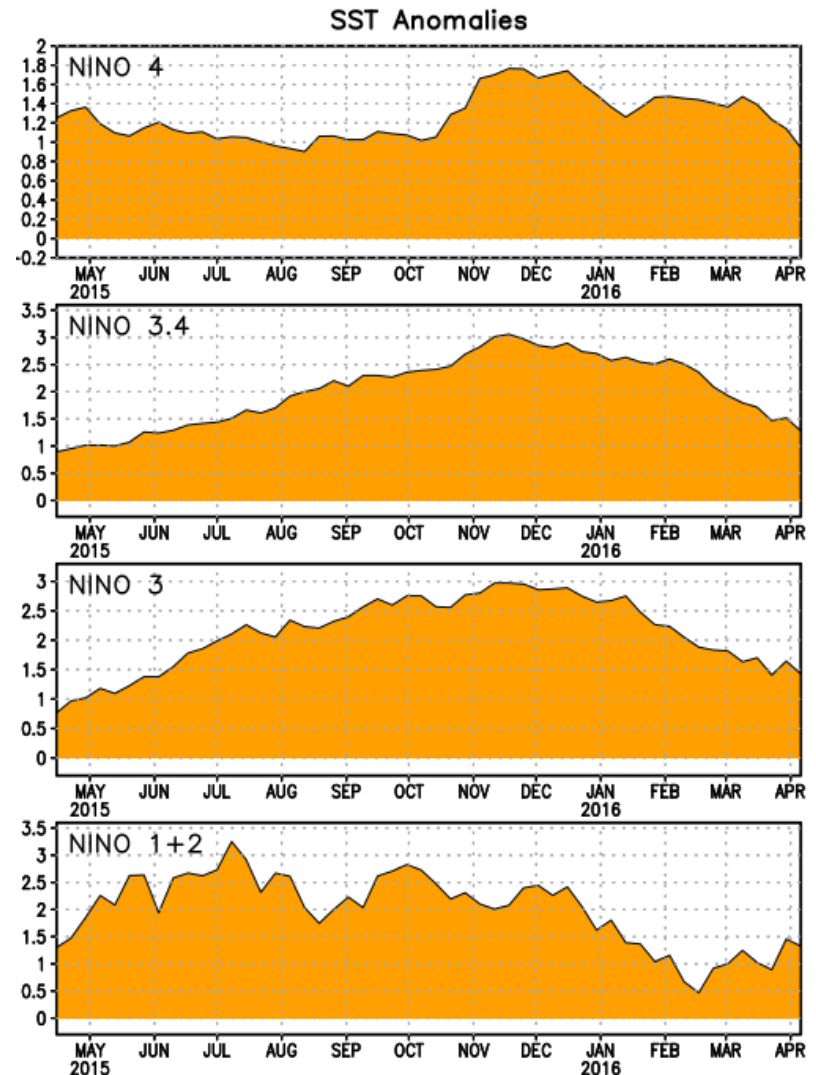
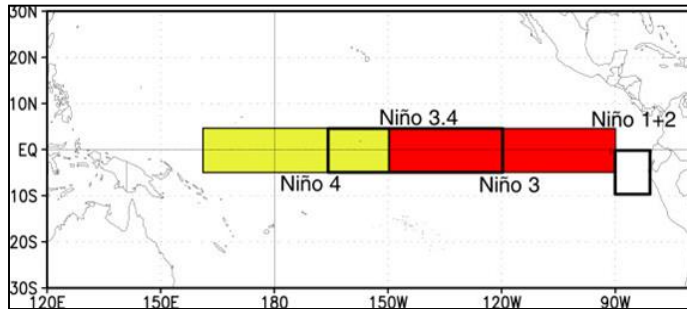


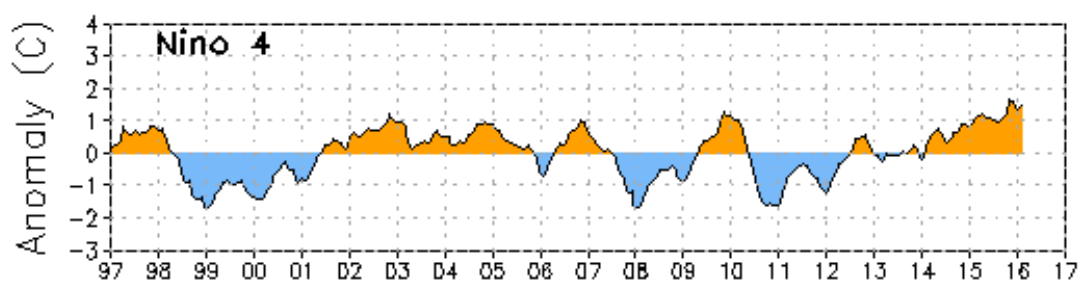
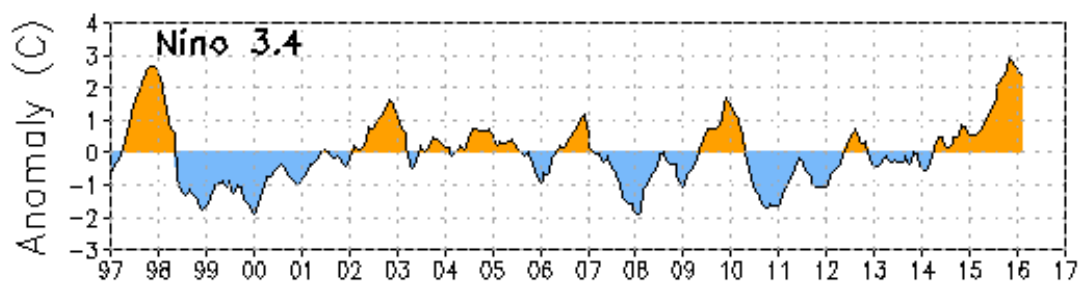
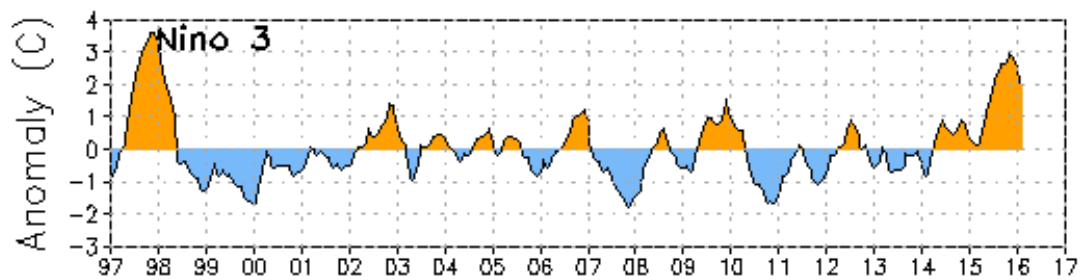
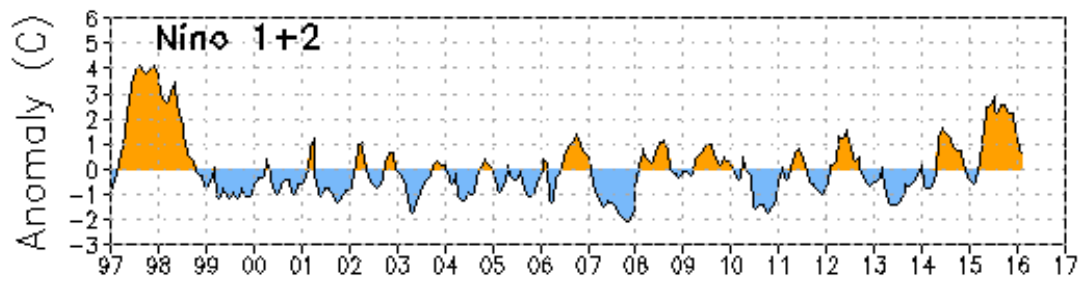
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# Niño Region SST Departures (°C) Recent Evolution

The latest weekly SST departures are:

|          |       |
|----------|-------|
| Niño 4   | 0.9°C |
| Niño 3.4 | 1.3°C |
| Niño 3   | 1.4°C |
| Niño 1+2 | 1.3°C |





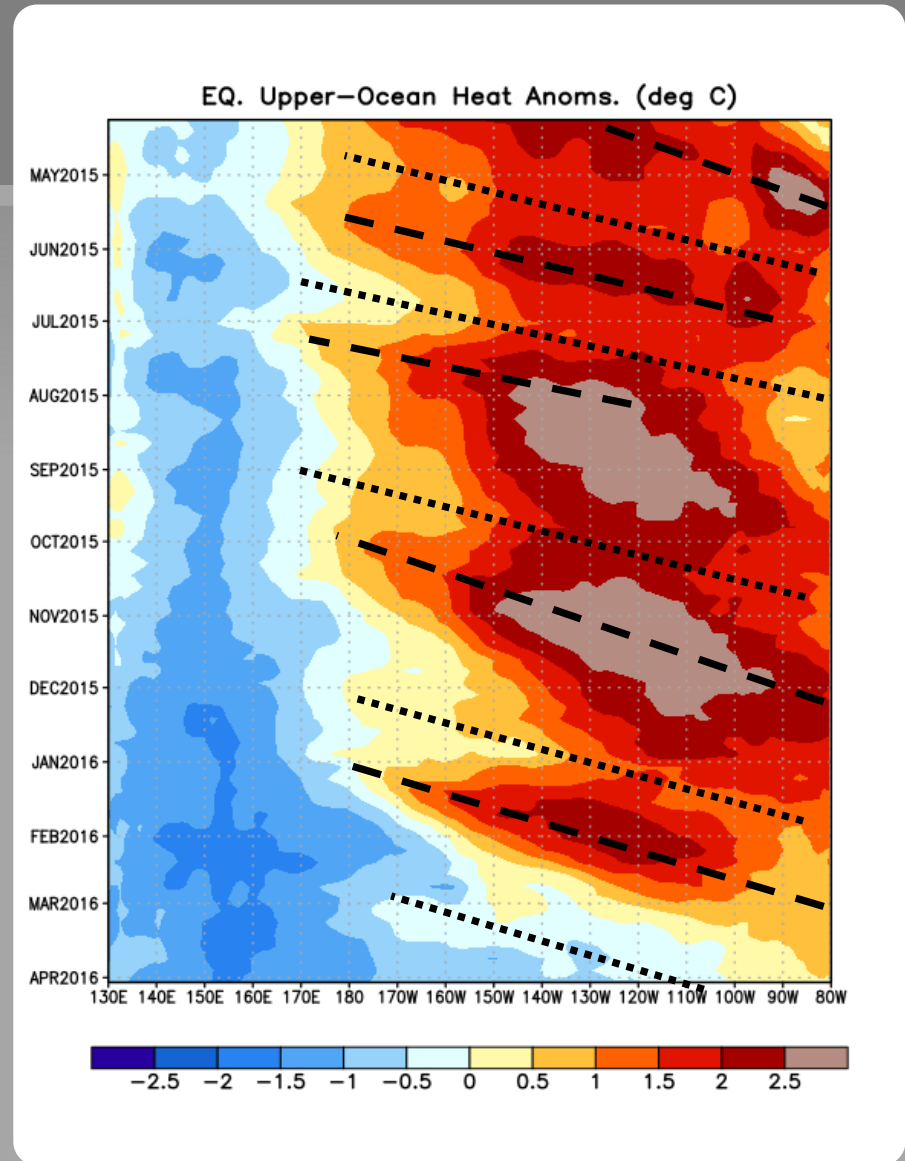
Data updated through February 2016

# Weekly Heat Content Evolution in the Equatorial Pacific

Downwelling phases of a Kelvin wave were observed in mid-May to late June, July-August, and October to November, and January-February 2016.

More recently, an upwelling phase is apparent in the eastern Pacific.

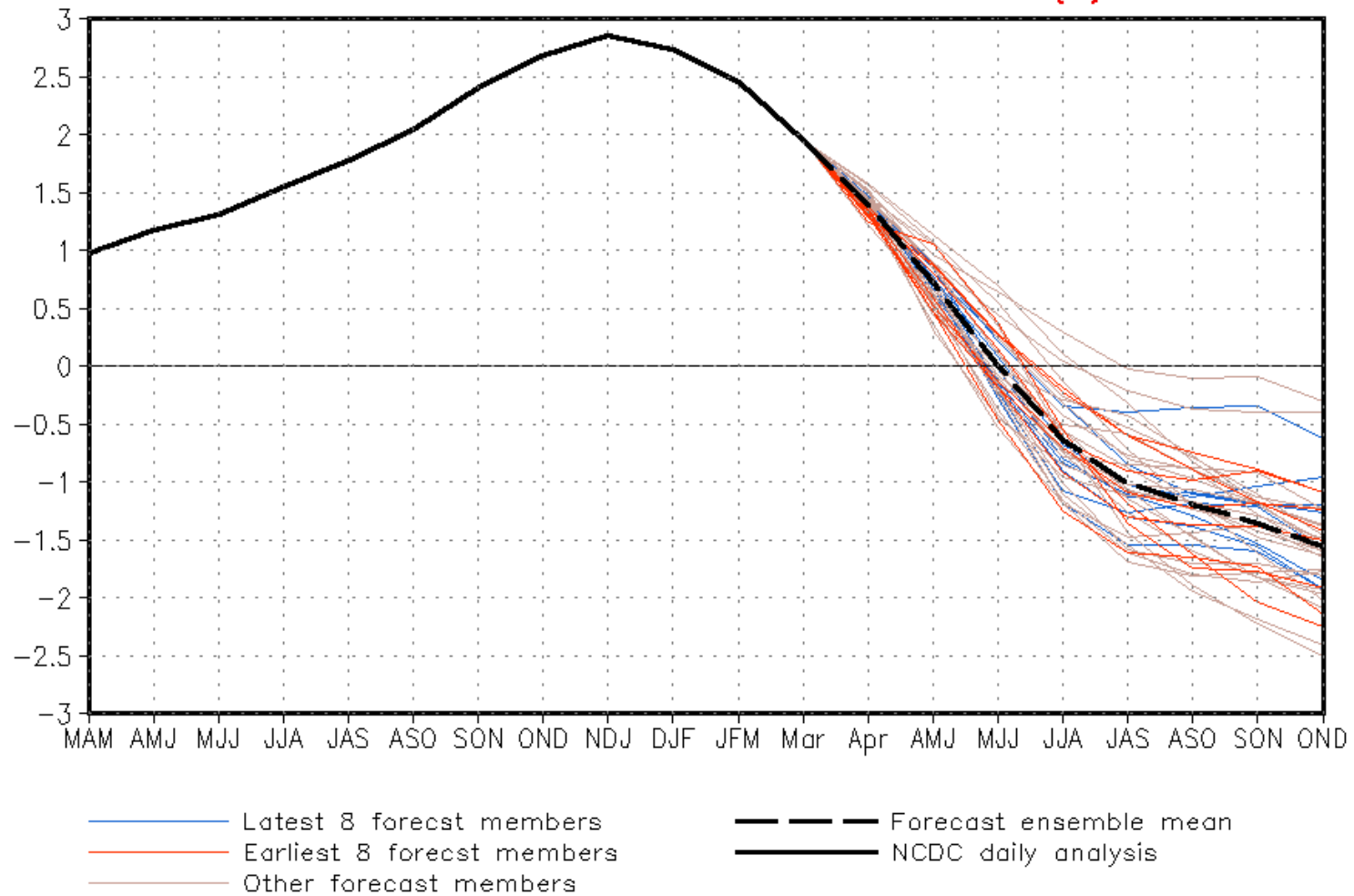
Oceanic Kelvin waves have alternating warm and cold phases. The warm phase is indicated by dashed lines. Down-welling and warming occur in the leading portion of a Kelvin wave, and up-welling and cooling occur in the trailing portion.







### CFSv2 forecast Nino3.4 SST anomalies (K)



# IRI/CPC Pacific Niño

## 3.4 SST Model Outlook

Positive Niño 3.4 SST anomalies are predicted to weaken through 2016.

Most models suggest a transition to ENSO-neutral by May-June-July (MJJ) 2016 with the possibility of La Niña conditions during the Northern Hemisphere fall.

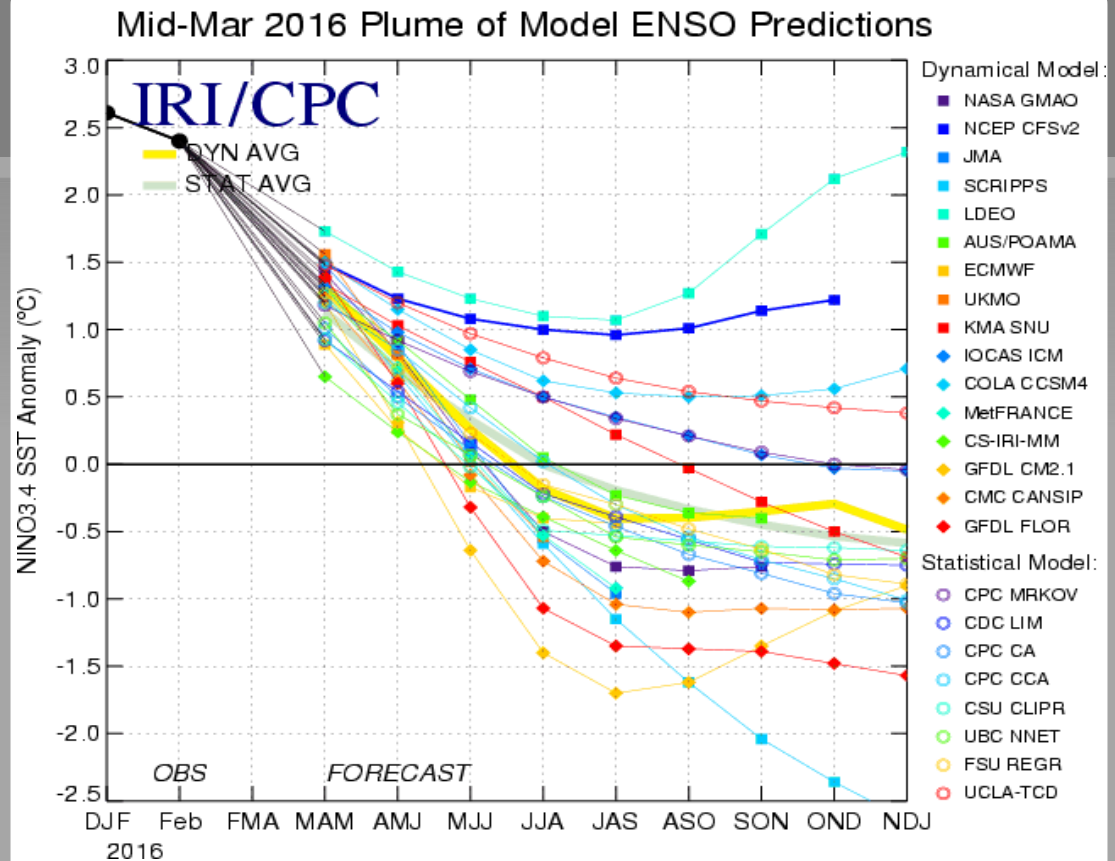


Figure provided by the International Research Institute (IRI) for Climate and Society (updated 15 March 2016).

# Historical El Niño and La Niña Episodes Based on the ONI computed using ERSST.v4

Recent Pacific warm (red) and cold (blue) periods based on a threshold of  $\pm 0.5$  °C for the Oceanic Nino Index (ONI) [3 month running mean of ERSST.v4 SST anomalies in the Nino 3.4 region (5N-5S, 120-170W)]. For historical purposes, periods of below and above normal SSTs are colored in blue and red when the threshold is met for a minimum of 5 consecutive over-lapping seasons.

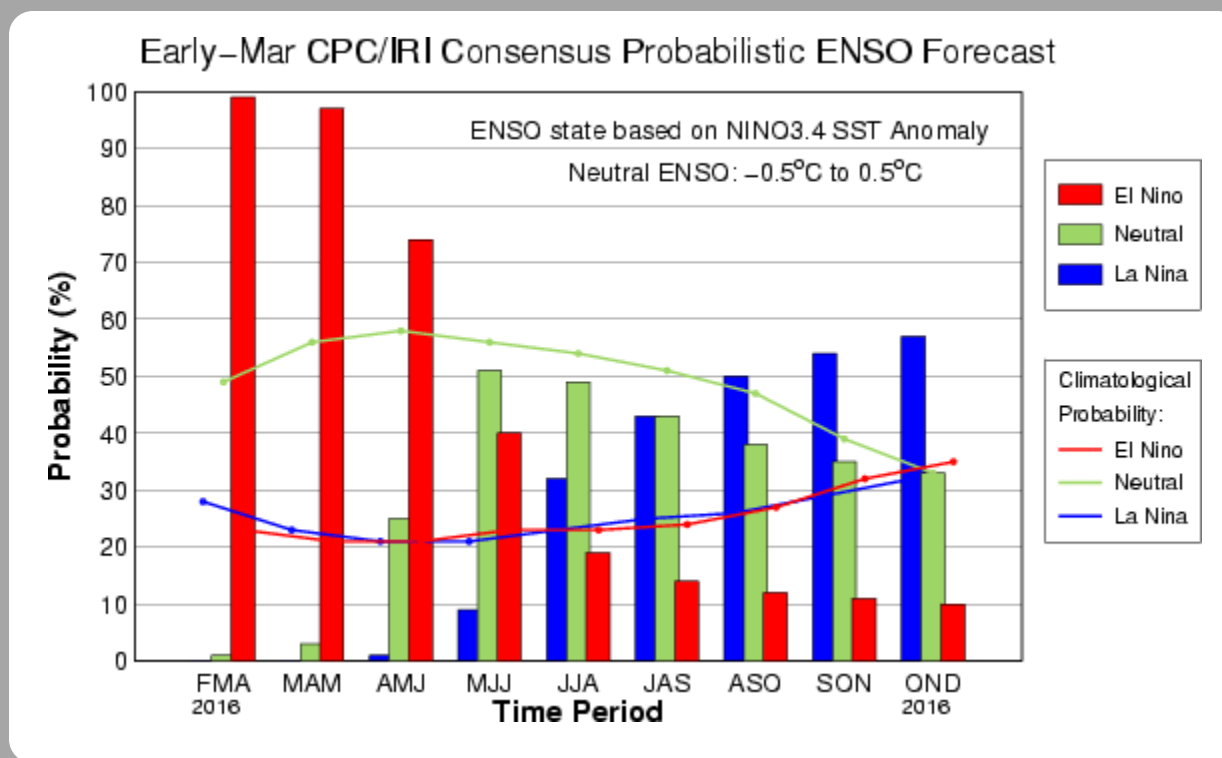
The ONI is one measure of the El Niño-Southern Oscillation, and other indices can confirm whether features consistent with a coupled ocean-atmosphere phenomenon accompanied these periods. The complete table going back to DJF 1950 can be found [here](#).

| Year | DJF  | JFM  | FMA  | MAM  | AMJ  | MJJ  | JJA  | JAS  | ASO  | SON  | OND  | NDJ  |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 2004 | 0.3  | 0.2  | 0.1  | 0.1  | 0.2  | 0.3  | 0.5  | 0.7  | 0.7  | 0.7  | 0.7  | 0.7  |
| 2005 | 0.6  | 0.6  | 0.5  | 0.5  | 0.4  | 0.2  | 0.1  | 0.0  | 0.0  | -0.1 | -0.4 | -0.7 |
| 2006 | -0.7 | -0.6 | -0.4 | -0.2 | 0.0  | 0.1  | 0.2  | 0.3  | 0.5  | 0.8  | 0.9  | 1.0  |
| 2007 | 0.7  | 0.3  | 0.0  | -0.1 | -0.2 | -0.2 | -0.3 | -0.6 | -0.8 | -1.1 | -1.2 | -1.3 |
| 2008 | -1.4 | -1.3 | -1.1 | -0.9 | -0.7 | -0.5 | -0.3 | -0.2 | -0.2 | -0.3 | -0.5 | -0.7 |
| 2009 | -0.8 | -0.7 | -0.4 | -0.1 | 0.2  | 0.4  | 0.5  | 0.6  | 0.7  | 1.0  | 1.2  | 1.3  |
| 2010 | 1.3  | 1.1  | 0.8  | 0.5  | 0.0  | -0.4 | -0.8 | -1.1 | -1.3 | -1.4 | -1.3 | -1.4 |
| 2011 | -1.3 | -1.1 | -0.8 | -0.6 | -0.3 | -0.2 | -0.3 | -0.5 | -0.7 | -0.9 | -0.9 | -0.8 |
| 2012 | -0.7 | -0.6 | -0.5 | -0.4 | -0.3 | -0.1 | 0.1  | 0.3  | 0.4  | 0.4  | 0.2  | -0.2 |
| 2013 | -0.4 | -0.5 | -0.3 | -0.2 | -0.2 | -0.2 | -0.2 | -0.2 | -0.2 | -0.2 | -0.2 | -0.3 |
| 2014 | -0.5 | -0.6 | -0.4 | -0.2 | 0.0  | 0.0  | 0.0  | 0.0  | 0.2  | 0.4  | 0.6  | 0.6  |
| 2015 | 0.5  | 0.4  | 0.5  | 0.7  | 0.9  | 1.0  | 1.2  | 1.5  | 1.8  | 2.1  | 2.2  | 2.3  |
| 2016 | 2.2  | 2.0  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |

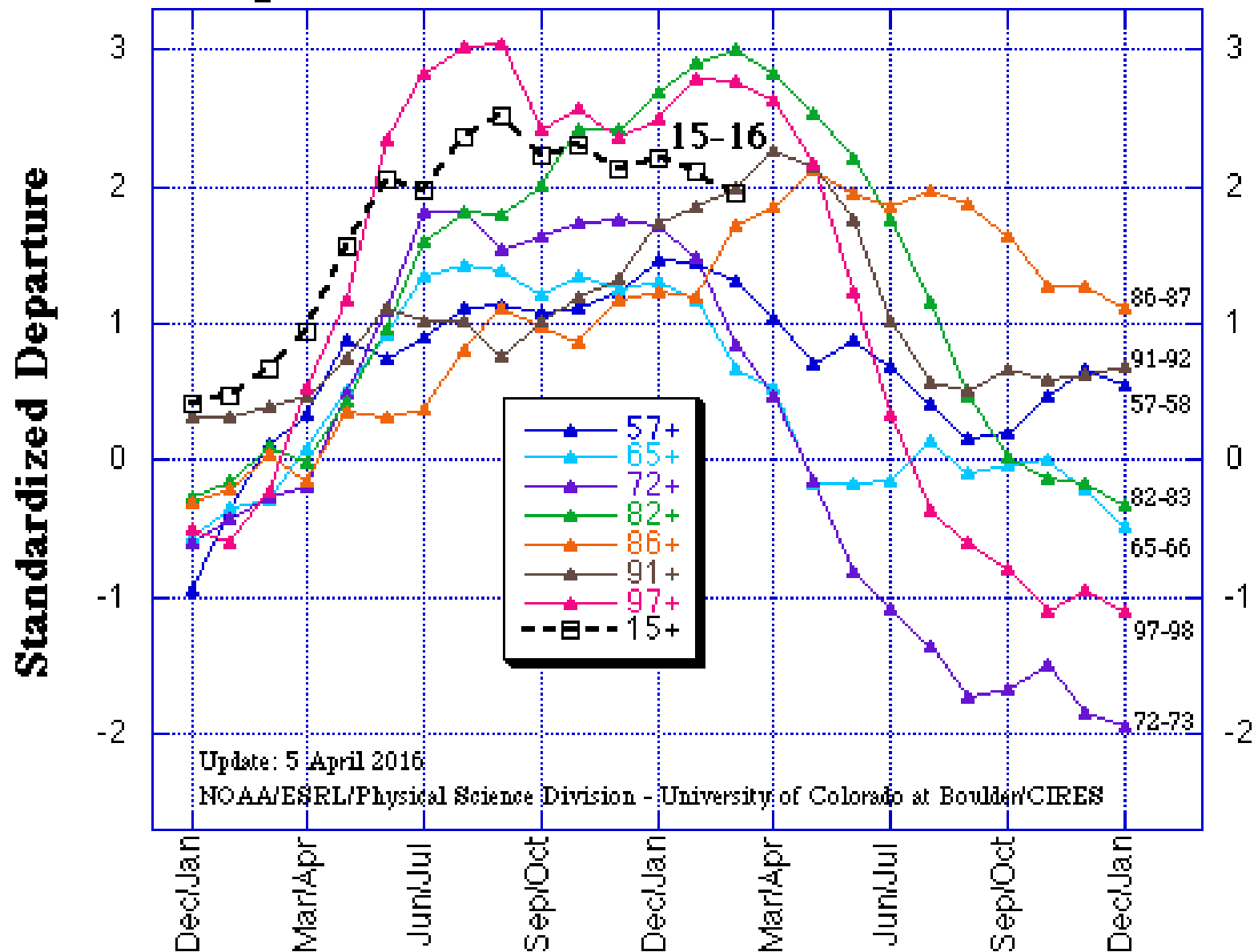
# CPC/IRI Probabilistic ENSO Outlook

Updated: 10 March 2016

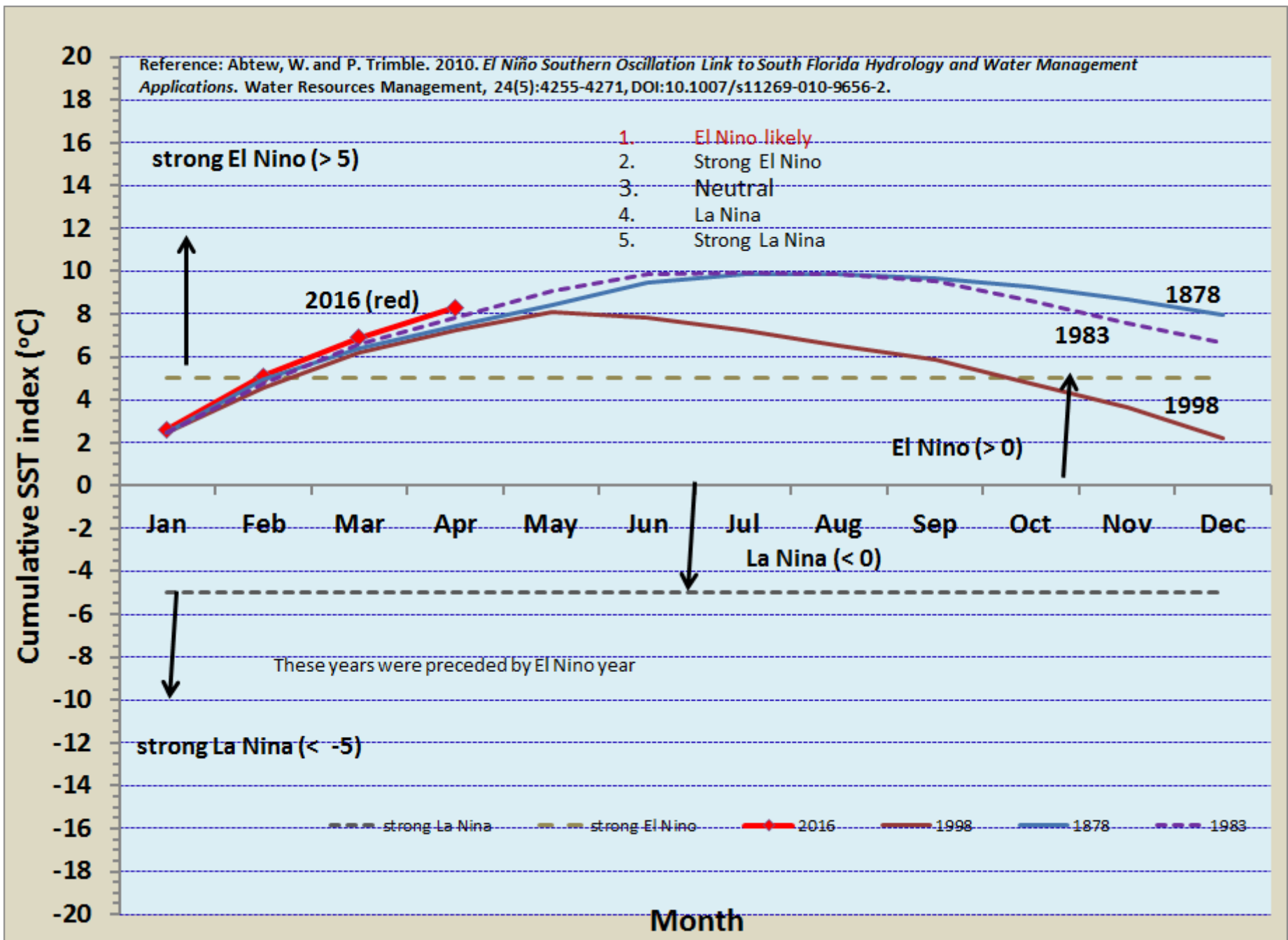
The chance of El Niño gradually decreases during the spring and ENSO-neutral is favored by May-June-July (MJJ) 2016. The chance of La Niña increases to 50% in August-September-October (ASO) 2016.



# Multivariate ENSO Index (MEI) for the seven strongest El Niño events since 1950 vs. 2015-16

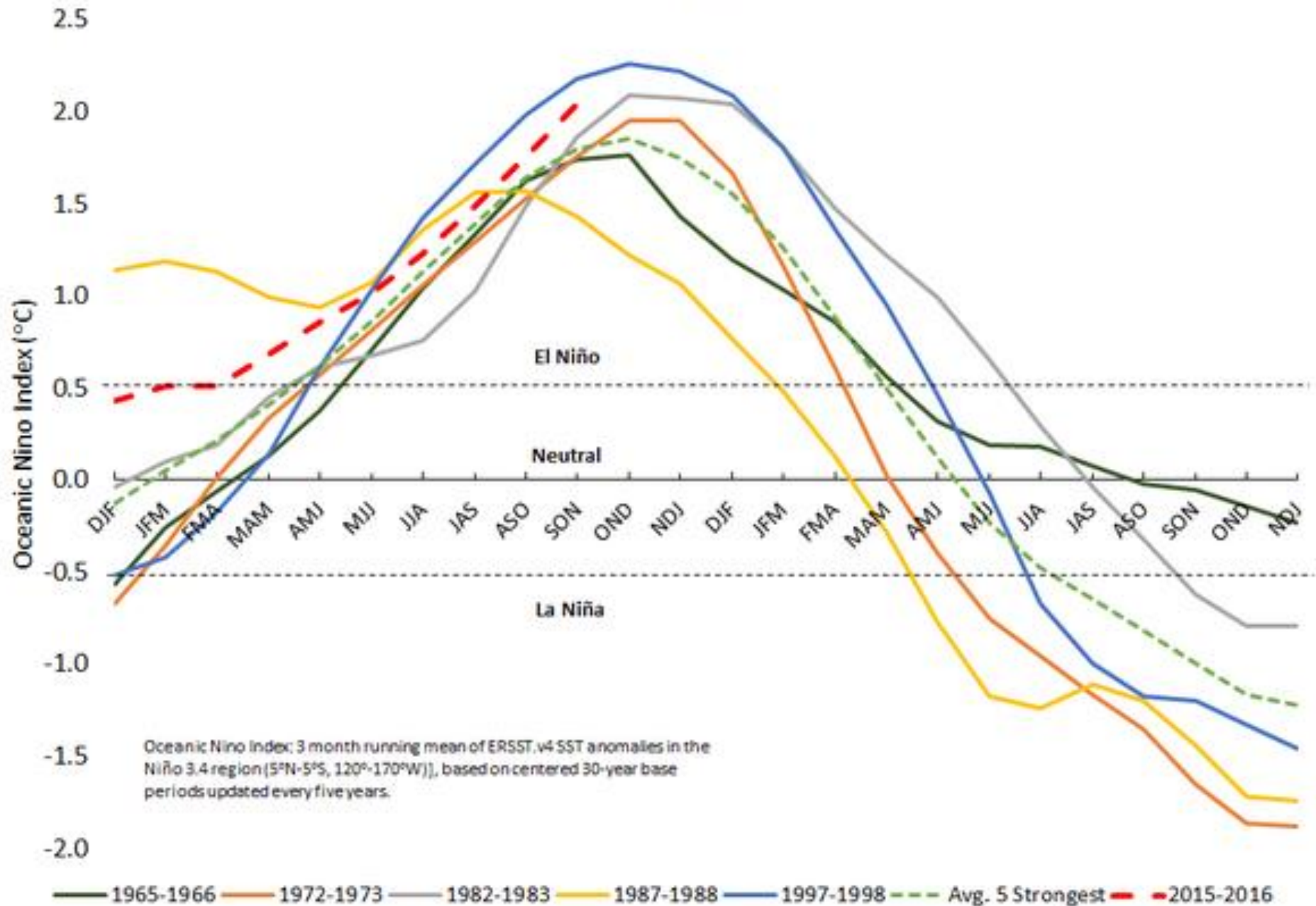






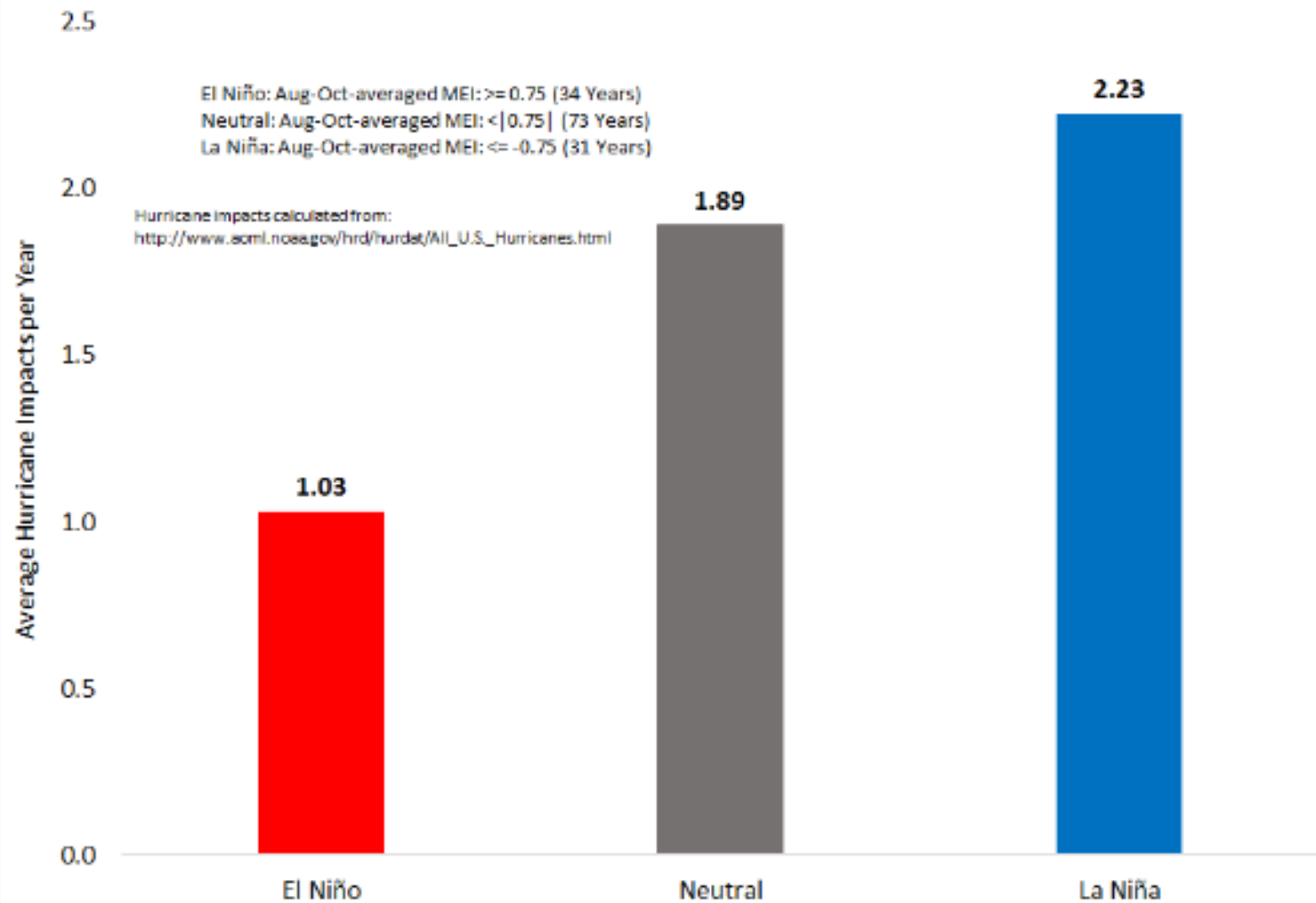
Source: Wossenu Abtew (SFWMD)

Progression of Five Strongest El Niño Events since 1950



Source: Phil Klotzbach (CSU)

### United States Hurricane Impacts by ENSO Phase (1878-2015)



**Philip Klotzbach** @philklotzbach · 18 Dec 2015

Over twice as many hurricanes impact the United States in La Nina years vs. El Nino years. #ElNino

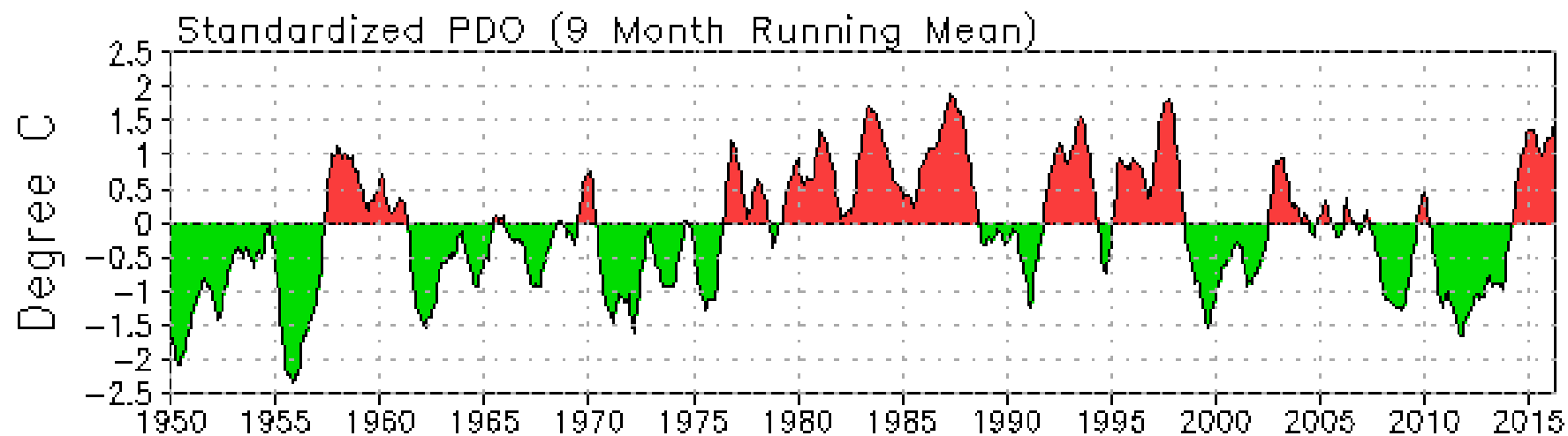


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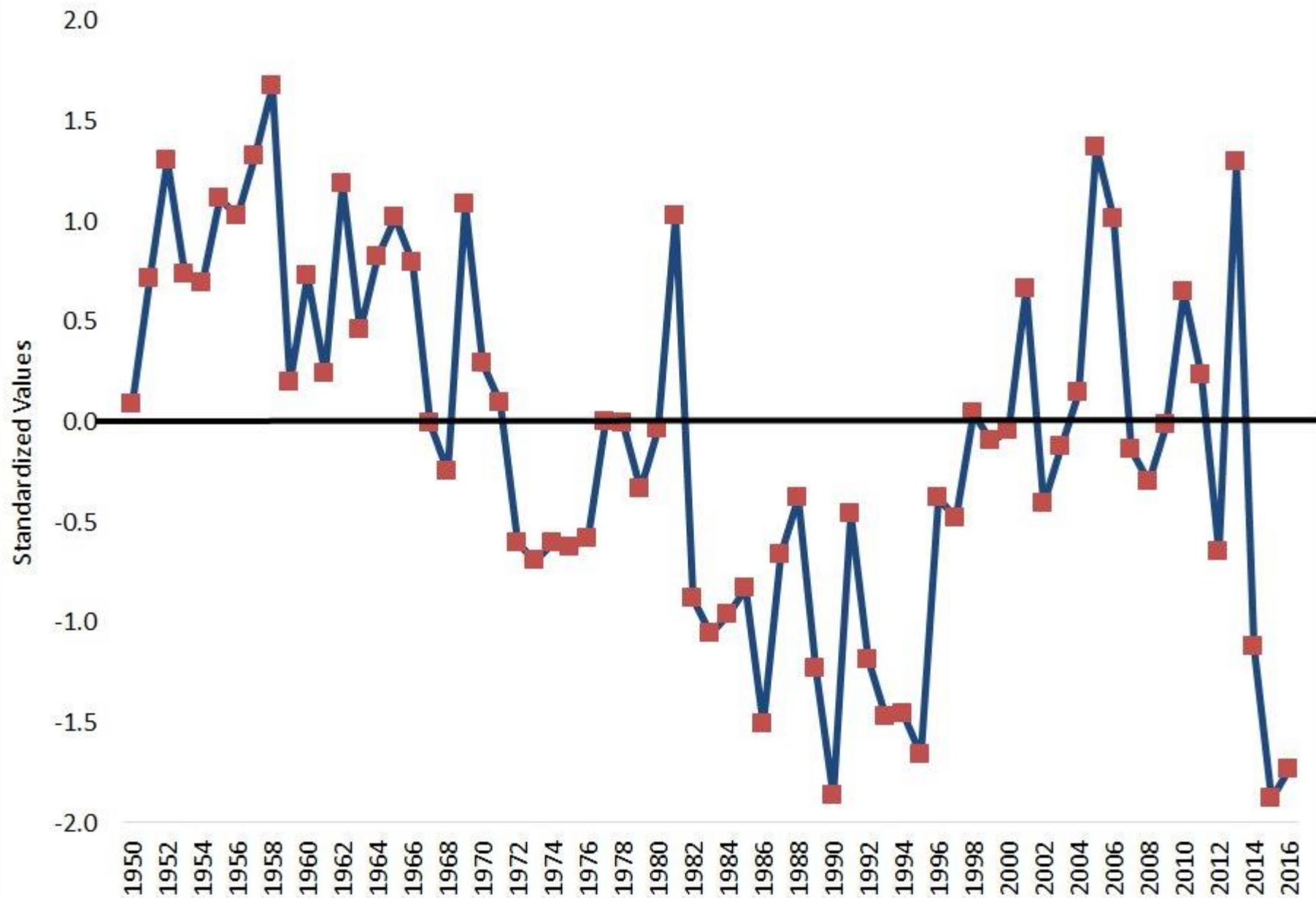


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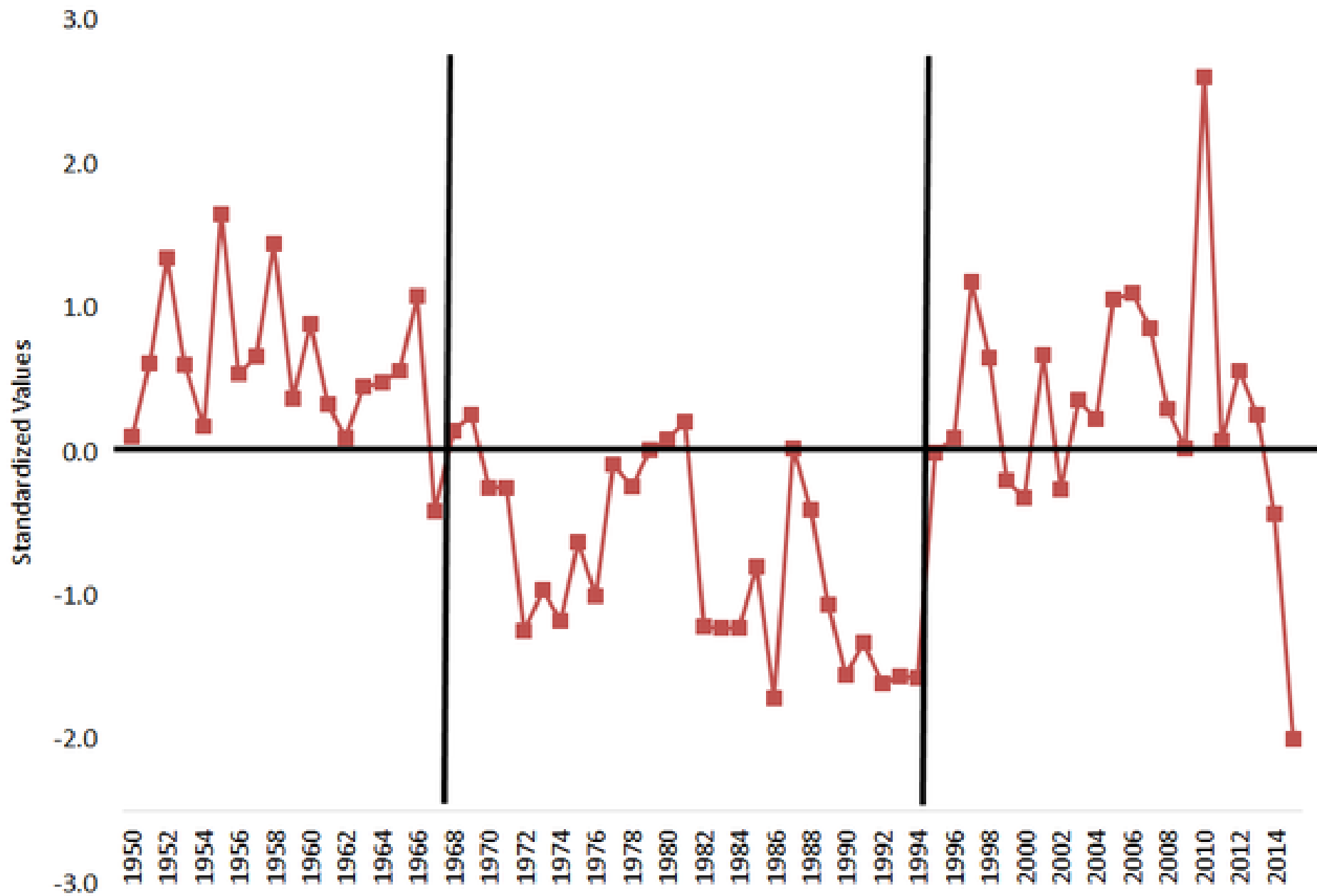


March AMO Index (1950-2016) - Calculated from Klotzbach and Gray (2008)

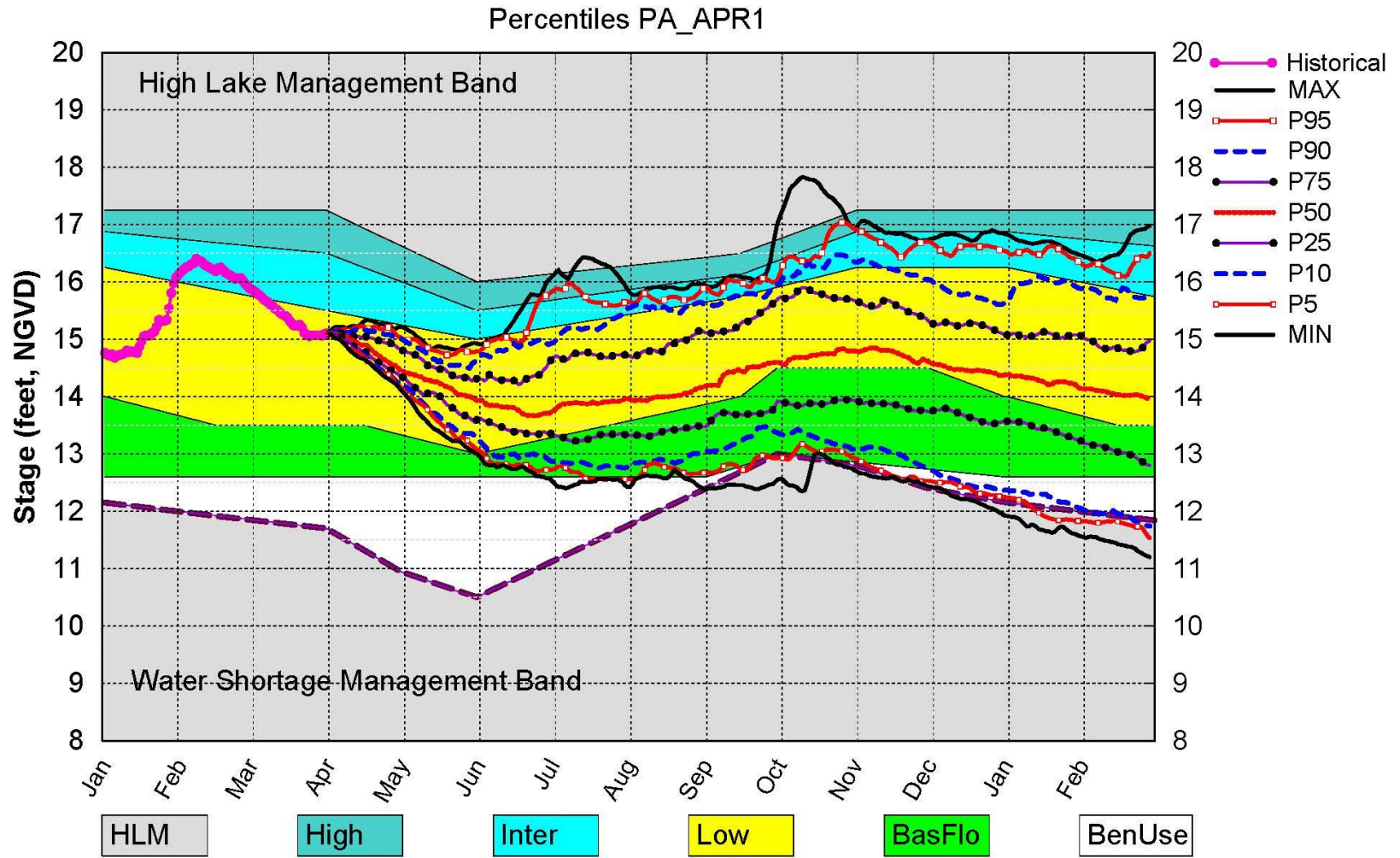




Annual AMO Index (1950-2015) - Calculated from Klotzbach and Gray (2008)



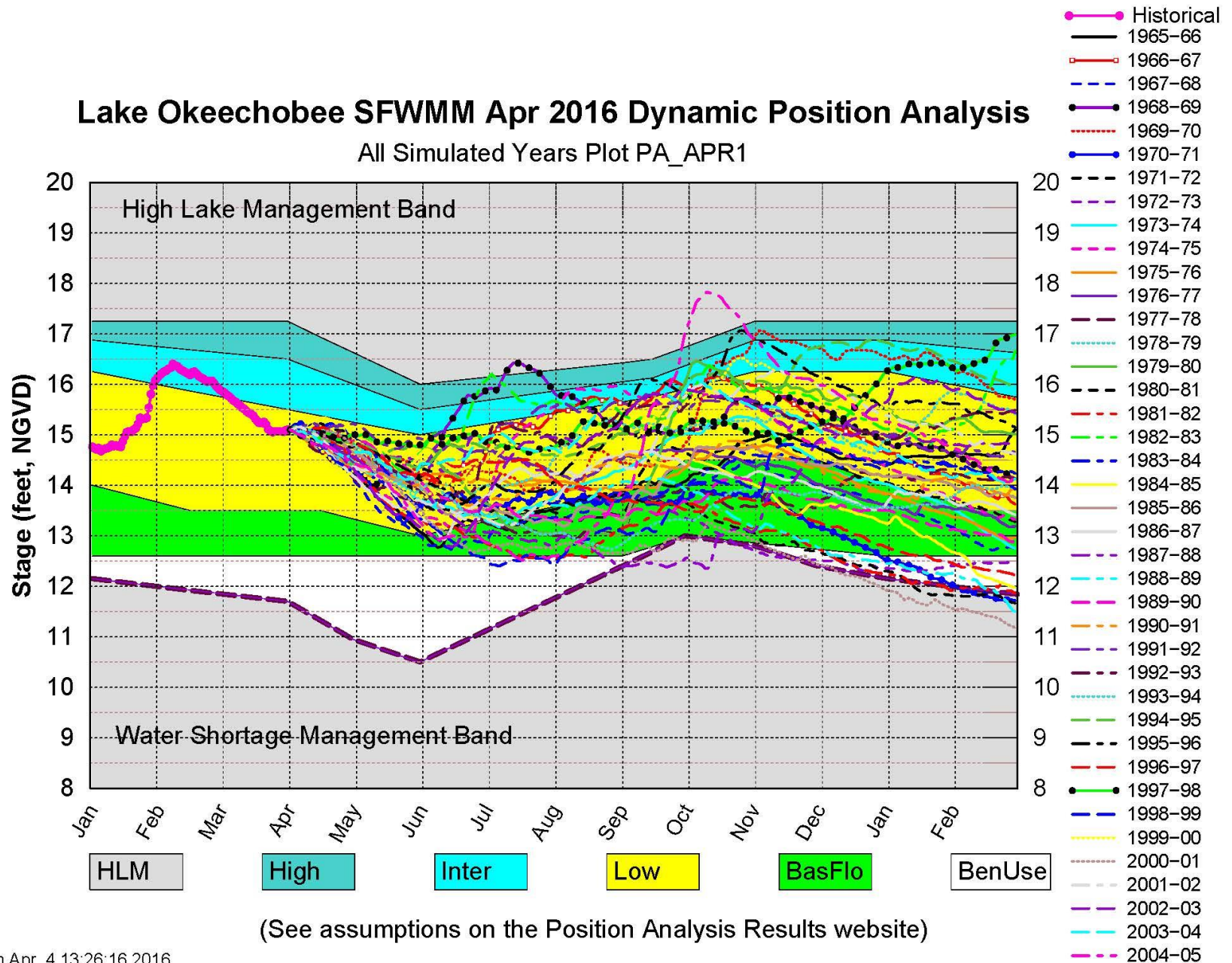
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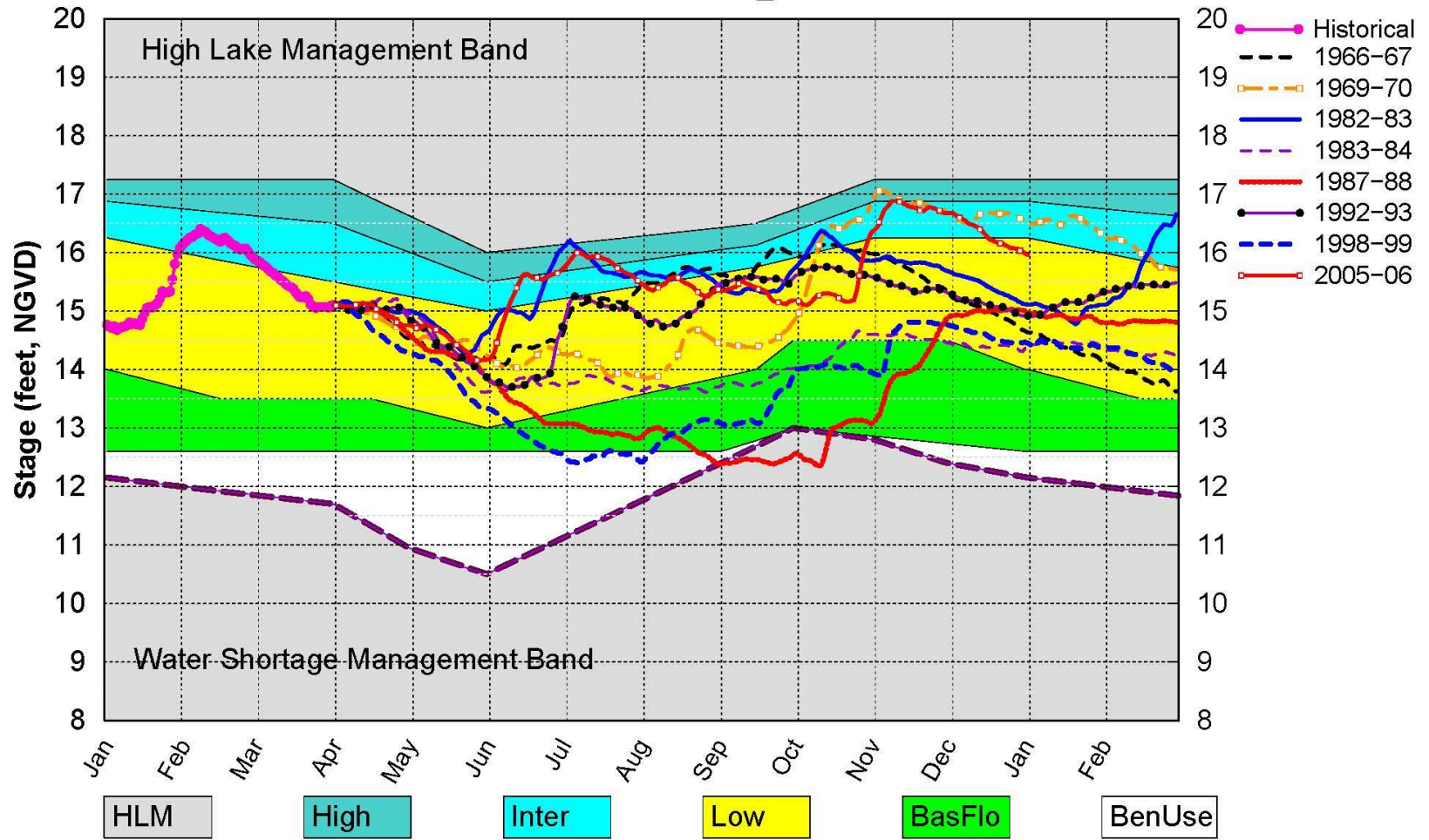
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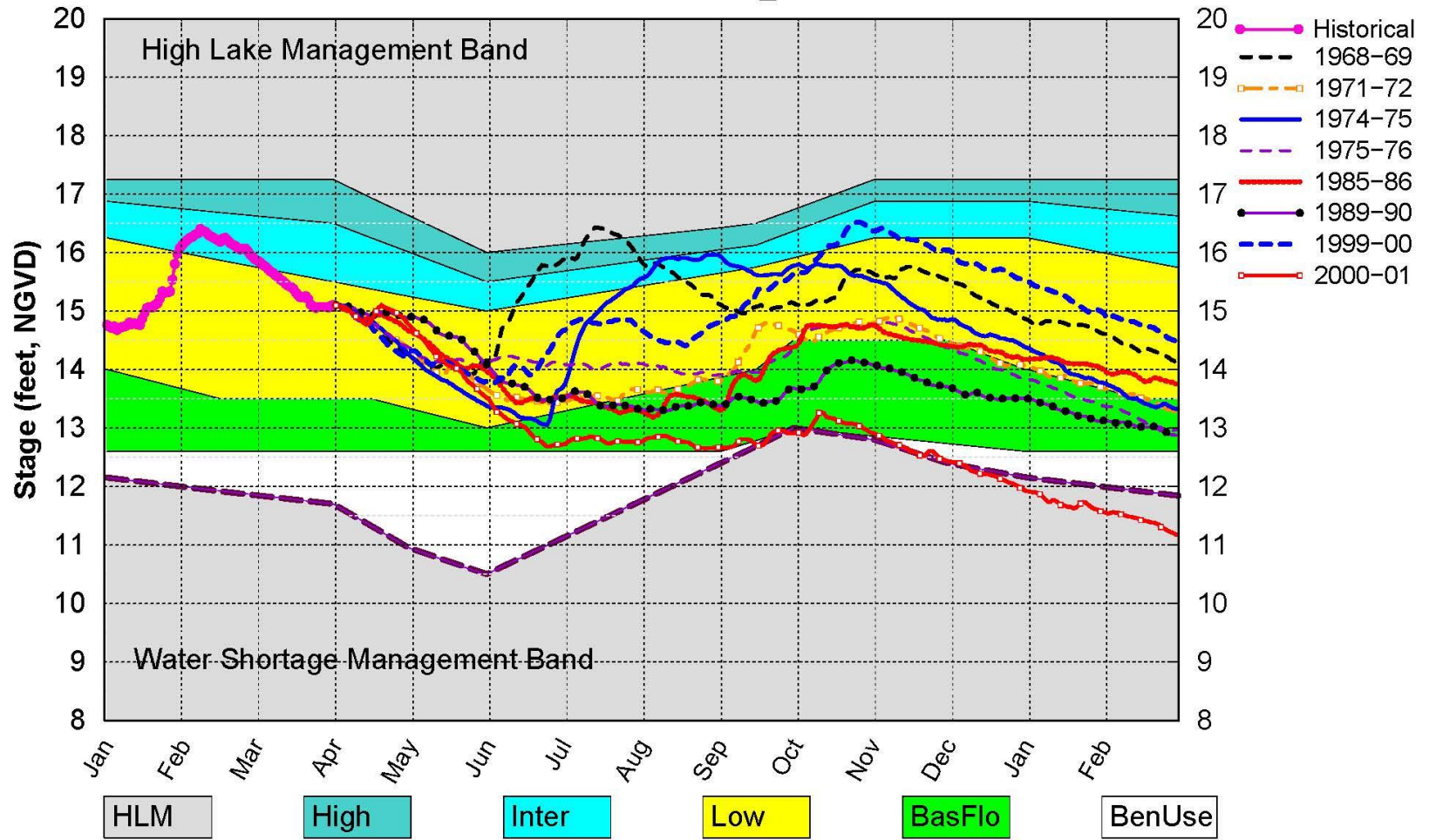
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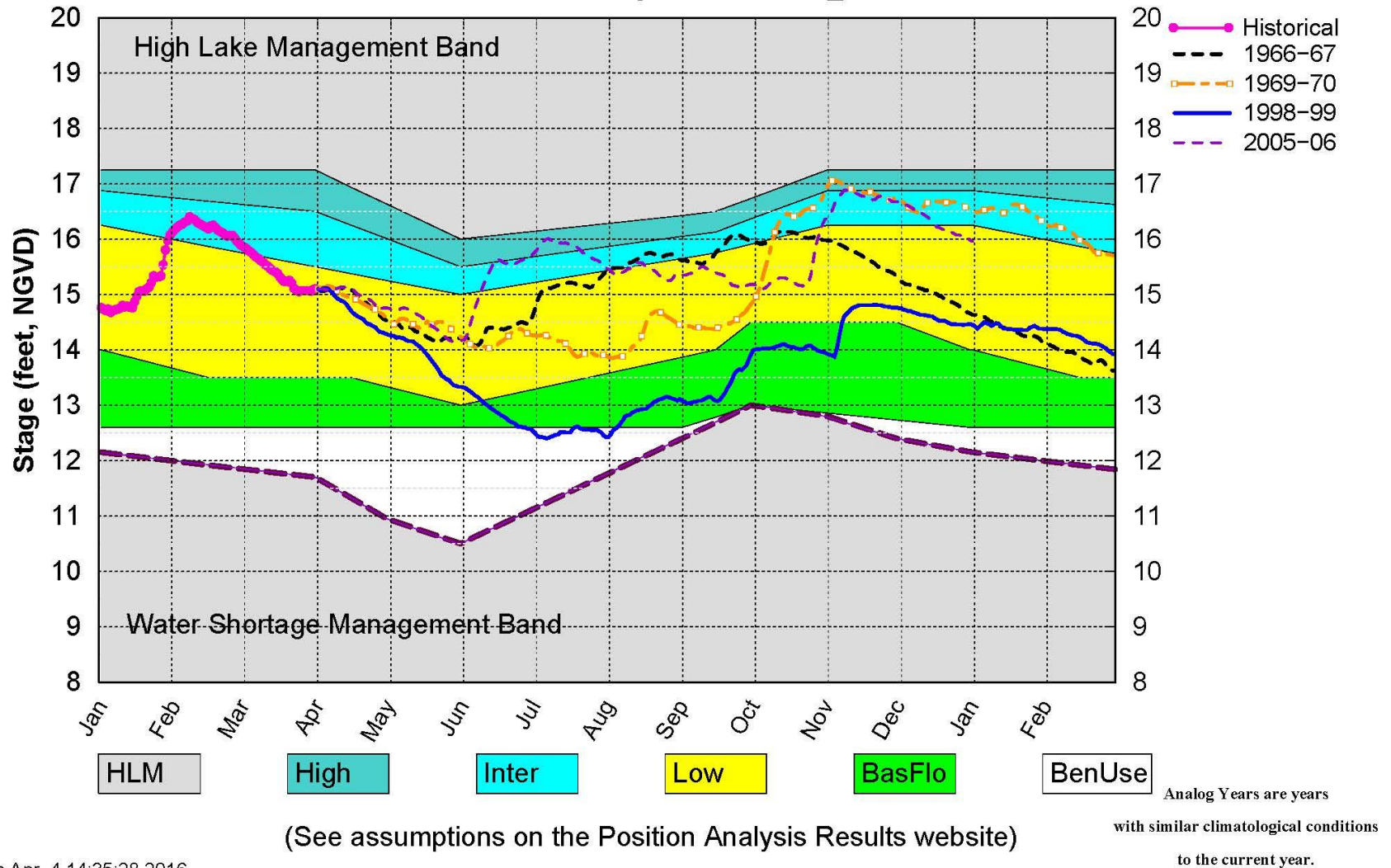


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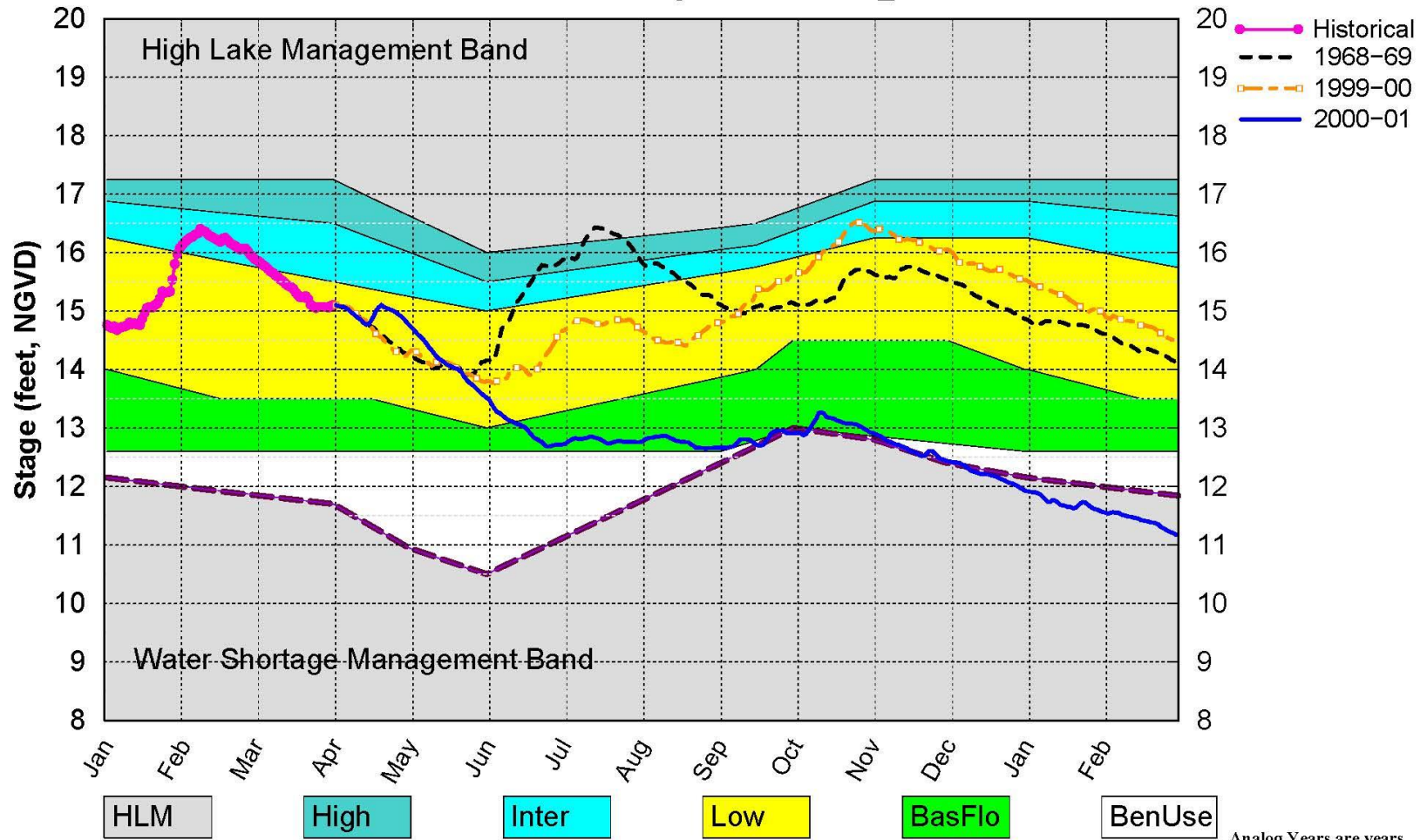
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AMO Warm / El Nino Analog Years Plot PA\_APR1



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Analog Years are years  
with similar climatological conditions  
to the current year.